1 2 3 4 5 6 7 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT WESTERN DISTRICT OF WASHINGTON 8 AT SEATTLE 9 VAL DINARDO, CASE NO. C16-1600JLR 10 Plaintiff, ORDER DISMISSING 11 COUNTERCLAIMS WITHOUT v. **PREJUDICE** 12 WOW 1 DAY PAINTING, LLC, 13 Defendant. 14 15 On January 23, 2018, the court issued an order granting Defendant WOW 1 Day Painting, LLC's ("WOW") motion for summary judgment and directing the parties to 16 show cause why WOW's compulsory counterclaims should not be dismissed without 17 prejudice. (Order (Dkt. # 42).) On January 31, 2018, the parties responded to the court's 18 19 order to show cause. (WOW Resp. (Dkt. # 45); DiNardo Resp. (Dkt. # 43).) Both WOW

and Plaintiff Val DiNardo agree that WOW's counterclaims should be dismissed without

prejudice. (See WOW Resp. at 2 ("WOW respectfully submits that considerations of

judicial economy, convenience, and fairness to the litigants are served by dismissing the

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counterclaims without prejudice "); DiNardo Resp. at 5 ("[T]his Court should dismiss the remaining Counterclaims without prejudice.").) Accordingly, the court DISMISSES WOW's counterclaims WITHOUT PREJUDICE. 1 The court further DIRECTS the Clerk to close this file. Dated this 2nd day of February, 2018. m R. Plut JAMES L. ROBART United States District Judge ¹ The court makes no determination as to the appropriate forum for refiling WOW's

counterclaims.